

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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THE LOW-PRESSURE INLET  
  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 12 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 13 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.